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(SBU) On 23 November 2009, Embassy Copenhagen poloff and ODC visited Ben Sorensen, the Managing Director for BMS International, to inquire about Sorensen's brokering activity in Denmark. Sorensen owns a one-man consulting firm which specializes in establishing contacts between U.S. businesses and appropriate Danish officials. The consulting firm is based in Sorensen's residence and works primarily for Boeing on several projects. Sorensen demonstrated his detailed knowledge of the Danish defense services and U.S. contacts consistent with a consulting firm providing brokering services. He also provided a copy of his State Department registration and stated he does not store nor deal in arms or munitions, rather he simply provides the necessary contacts for U.S. firms to conduct efficient business. Post assesses Sorensen's business activity is consistent with a defense brokering firm; Post does not suspect any illicit activity. MCCULLEY